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IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE

BEFORE: The Honorable Jane A. Restani, Judge

SWISHER INTERNATIONAL, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

Court No. 95-03-00322

United States,

Defendant,

ORDER

Upon consideration of defendant ${}^{\prime}\mathbf{S}$ motion to discontinue the submission of monthly status reports, it is hereby ORDERED,

That defendant's motion is APPROVED.

JANE A. RESTANI, JUDGE

Dated:

New York, NY

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DEFENDANT'S STATUS REPORT AND MOTION TO DISCONTINUE STATUS REPORTS

Pursuant to this Court's order dated March 13, 2001, defendant, the United States, respectfully submits the following status report regarding the Harbor Maintenance Tax (HMT) Claims Refund Process for "Swisher-type" claims. Swisher Int'l Inc. v. United States, 205 F.3d 1358 (Fed. Cir.), cert. denied, 121 S. Ct. 624 (2000). We have served this report upon the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee and all counsel of record, to our knowledge, in "Swisher"-type cases.

I. "Swisher" Refund Claims Processing

As of December 13, 2001, Customs has received 188 refund requests for "Swisher"-type claims. Customs has completed its review and transmitted an HMT Refund Report and Certification, and an HMT Payment Report to 188 claimants.

The Department of Justice has received 142 signed judgments from plaintiffs (6 for the last monthly period), of which 140

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have been submitted to this Court for entry of judgment.

A more detailed chart listing the status of individual cases is attached. This chart is maintained and updated by Customs on a regular basis and is available on Customs' website at: http://www.customs.ustreas.gov/impoexpo/pdf/swish6.pdf.

II. <u>Summary Of Refund Process</u>

Phase One: Initial Review					December			2	001
Total Refund Reguests Received									188
Review Completed/ HMT Refund Report and Certification and HMT Payment Report Issued									100
Cumulative									188
Stipulated Judgments Received By The Department Of Justice									
Cumulative	•	•		•	•		•	•	142 6
Stipulated Judgments Submitted To The Court of International Trade Cumulative	•					٠		•	140
Monthly Period	•	•	٠	•	•	•	•	•	4
Receipt Of Disputed Claim Forms With Supporting Documentation		•	•	•		•	•		5(
Revised HMT Refund Report and Certification Issued						•	•	•	45
Phase Three: Judicial Review									
Cases Submitted For Judicial Review		•		•	•	•		•	
Cases Resolved By The Court									(

Refunds

Judgments Entered By The Court	rnat	Trade		le	an	ıd							
Received By The Department of	Just	ice	• •	•	• •	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	134
Refunds Of Principal Made .				•			•	•	•	•	•	•	134
Interest Refunds Requested .				•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	128
Interest Refunds Issued				•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	128
Other (Stone Container & BP Oi	ll Co	o.)											2

There has been no change in the number of refund requests received by defendant for the past 90 days. In addition, a substantial portion of the anticipated judgments have been submitted to the Court. Defendant, therefore, moves that the Court allow defendant to discontinue the submission of monthly status reports pursuant to this Court's order of March 13, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,
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